What is the situation?
In the event that a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patient requires a Code Blue response, it is critical that the local responders and members of the Code Team don proper personal protective equipment (PPE) before entering the room – no exceptions. A special code has been set up for this scenario. Additionally, there are a few modifications to the usual Code Blue process for these patients.

What should you do?

- Call 2-1212 and request a **COVID-19 Code Blue** to activate the Code Team.

- While awaiting the arrival of the Code Team, the local responders should don appropriate PPE and initiate basic life support interventions except you **should not perform mask ventilation with an AMBU**.

- A local RN should act in the role of **Safety Officer**. This person should be stationed outside of the room to prevent anyone from entering the room without proper PPE.

- Upon arrival, Respiratory Therapy will mask ventilate using an AMBU with **HME filter** in place. This **is not** in the code cart and will be supplied by Respiratory Therapy.

- The minimum number of persons required for the resuscitation should enter the room.

*The full guideline for COVID-19 Code Blue response can be found on the portal under Coronavirus Central.

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